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Editor Liberator,
Boston, Mass.

Wm. L. Garrison: If I had had money,
I could have written such a letter
I would have sooner "footed the
bill" — but I could not do that.
I have not only sacrificed the last farthing,
but am in debt more than 200 dollars by this
glorious enterprise. This however is paid to you
in confidence. I have done making complaints.
You are a more prudent man than I am: you
have never made known to me your ^{pecuniary} difficulties.
But I know they must be enormous.

Every day's observation shows that our
principles are steadily yet constantly gaining ground in
Vermont. I have to-day conversed with two cler-
gymen, of the Congregational order, from different
parts of this State, who have until this year taken
no ~~part~~ ^{part} in the Col. Society, but now renounced
it and avow their friendship to our cause. Many
others are doing likewise, in spite of the Vermont
Chronicle. That corrupt paper must "back out," or
do worse. The spirit of slavery, and of
course colonization, is being crushed.

Let us never "be weary in well doing, for in
due time we shall reap if we faint not." "The
mouth of the Lord hath spoken it." "Lift up
thy voice like a trumpet and show my
people their transgression." A. J. V.

friends in Montpelier. Am Executing
from 50 to 75 miles from this place
here. When I had direction from the
I know they expected we had money,
was not until to-day that I learned
to my disappointment. Perhaps I was
writing my last, before inquiring respecting
funds.

Mr. Garrison, if you have not yet had
to present Mr. Thompson an request made in my com-
munications, I hope you will not show him this. Again,
should it be the case that you have seen him and there
is anything on his part which prevents his complying with
that request, I trust you will keep this from him,
for I am exceedingly mortified. Show him this, only
in the case that he has actually already agreed to come.
Should his sails of reaching you before he shall have
departed for Vermont, we will make the best of it we can.

For certain reasons, which I have not time
nor room here to offer, we have concluded not to con-
sider this our annual meeting, and to hold that in
the month of May or June next. By that time we
hope to be prepared to do something. By that time we
hope you will be ready to visit us.

Your untiring co-worker,

O. J. Murray.

William Lloyd Garrison.

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Montpelier, October 11, 1834.

[Confidence, to Mr. Garrison.]

In writing to you our request for a visit
from Thompson, I have inquired into the state
of our treasury, and am most sadly disappointed,
from our Treasurer that we are in debt!—

\$4,000, but more than we can at present meet.
Our Executive Committee, two or three months since, is-
sued a circular to our auxiliaries, calling for pecuniary
aid, and we really thought we had good reason to expect
that by this time our treasury was ~~so~~ in some measure filled
up. Our Societies and individuals received the
Worthy Circular from New-York, calling for mon-
ey to aid in the distribution of Mr. Ring's letter; and they
have contributed, we know not how extensively,
to that object; a goodly number however of that document
is being brought into our State. This is the only way we
can account for the emptiness of our treasury.

Now we know that Mr. Thompson is from
Great Britain, where liberality meets liberality; and
we are very unwilling to ask him, while he is making
so great sacrifices for the cause of liberty, which sacrifices
will so greatly benefit our country, to visit Vermont,
without first being sure that we can liberally com-
pensate him. It would be wronging and insulting him,
disgracing ourselves, and what is more than all, it
would be giving advantage to the enemy and injuring our
most righteous cause.

In view of these things, with deepest chagrin
and heartfelt mortification, we feel in duty
bound to countermand, if practicable, our request
of the 9th inst., sent to you, for a visit from Mr.
Thompson. I say we, for I send this by the advice of

This also, as my letter is supposed to be written to Mr. Garrison, may reach Mr. Garrison as soon as possible.